

Act”; H.R. 4266, the “Acadia National Park Boundary Clarification Act”; H.R. 4465, the “Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Extension Act of 2017”; H.R. 4475, the “National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System Act”; H.R. 4568, the “Enhancing Geothermal Production on Federal Lands Act”; S. 825, the “Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium Land Transfer Act of 2017”; and S. 1285, the “Oregon Tribal Economic Development Act”. H.R. 200, H.R. 1349, H.R. 1675, H.R. 4266, H.R. 4475, and H.R. 4568 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1157, H.R. 1350, H.R. 2888, H.R. 3588, H.R. 4033, H.R. 4264, H.R. 4465, S. 825, and S. 1285 were ordered reported, without amendment.

OVERSIGHT OF THE BUREAU OF PRISONS AND INMATE REENTRY

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled, “Oversight of the Bureau of Prisons and Inmate Reentry”. Testimony was heard from Mark S. Inch, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons; Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Department of Justice; Diana Maurer, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

HEAD HEALTH CHALLENGE: PREVENTING HEAD TRAUMA FROM FOOTBALL FIELD TO SHOP FLOOR TO BATTLEFIELD

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hearing entitled “Head Health Challenge: Preventing Head Trauma from Football Field to Shop Floor to Battlefield”. Testimony was heard from Michael Fasolka, Acting Director, Material Measurement Lab, National Institute of Standards and Technology; and public witnesses.

ADVANCING SOLAR ENERGY TECHNOLOGY: RESEARCH TRUMPS DEPLOYMENT

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Advancing Solar Energy Technology: Research Trumps Deployment”. Testimony was heard from Daniel Simmons, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

PRE-DISCHARGE CLAIMS PROGRAMS: ARE VA AND DOD EFFECTIVELY SERVING SEPARATING MILITARY PERSONNEL?

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs held a hearing entitled “Pre-Discharge Claims Programs: Are VA and DOD Effectively Serving Separating Mili-

tary Personnel?”. Testimony was heard from Terry A. Adirim, M.D., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Services Policy and Oversight, Department of Defense; Willie C. Clark, Sr., Deputy Under Secretary for Field Operations, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

IRS REFORM: THE TAXPAYER'S EXPERIENCE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “IRS Reform: The Taxpayer's Experience”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, but did not complete action thereon.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1304)

H.R. 2810, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. Signed on December 12, 2017. (Public Law 115–91)

H.R. 4374, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to authorize additional emergency uses for medical products to reduce deaths and severity of injuries caused by agents of war. Signed on December 12, 2017. (Public Law 115–92)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States policy and strategy in the Middle East, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on new counterterrorism guidance, 10 a.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Margaret Weichert, of Georgia, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2152, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for assistance for victims of child pornography, and the nominations of Stuart Kyle Duncan, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, David Ryan Stras, of Minnesota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit, Fernando Rodriguez, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Andrei Iancu, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and Duane A. Kees, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, Stephen R. McAllister, to be United States Attorney for the District of Kansas, Ronald A. Parsons, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota, Ryan K. Patrick, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, and Michael B. Stuart, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled “Examining the Operations of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS)”, 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2219, the “End Banking for Human Traffickers Act of 2017”; H.R. 2646, the “United States-Jordan Defense Cooperation Extension Act”; H.R. 1997, the “Ukraine Cybersecurity Cooperation Act of 2017”; and H.R. 3851, the “War Crimes Rewards Expansion Act”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 4558, the “Grand Staircase Escalante Enhancement Act”, 9:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine assessing accomplishments and challenges of the Magnitsky Act, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.